

### III. REMARKS

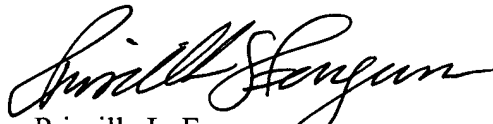
Applicants respectfully request the entry of the foregoing amendment to the specification of the above-identified application.

The foregoing amendment recites a benefit claim to a provisional application. The benefit claim to the provisional application has already been properly made of record, as it appeared in the Application Data Sheet filed with the application. Therefore, the present amendment to the specification regarding the provisional application merely recites a priority claim that has already been properly made of record.

The foregoing amendment also recites a related co-pending application. The related co-pending application was filed on the same day as the present application, namely, September 4, 2003, and is now available for identification by its application number.

In view of the foregoing, consideration and entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



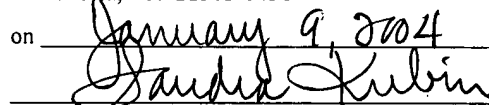
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